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- Back-to-back thunderstorms dumped a torrent of rain on Baltimore City, Maryland, and surrounding counties July 19. The storms causing widespread flooding of city streets and some buildings and grounded dozens of flights at Baltimore-Washington International Thurgood Marshall Airport. – *Baltimore Sun* (See item [11](#))
- Nearly 18,000 cases of whooping cough have been reported in 2012 — more than twice the number seen at this point in 2011, the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention said July 19. The United States is on pace to have the highest number of cases since 1959. – *Champaign News-Gazette; Associated Press* (See item [21](#))
- A former New Hampshire hospital employee — who also worked at medical facilities in six other States — was charged July 19 with causing a hepatitis C outbreak involving dozens of patients treated at the hospital's cardiac catheterization lab. – *Associated Press* (See item [24](#))
- The number of phishing Web sites, which are fake sites made to look like real ones and are dedicated to stealing sensitive information, is at an all-time high in 2012, a new report found. – *IDG News Service* (See item [34](#))
- The man suspected of shooting up an Aurora, Colorado movie theater screening the new Batman film July 20, killing 12 and wounding 59, also left his apartment rigged with traps, police said. – *CNN* (See item [40](#))

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## Energy Sector

1. *July 20, WTAQ 1360 AM Green Bay* – (Wisconsin) **Gasoline supply in Green Bay, Fox Valley slashed due to pipeline rupture.** A pipeline stopped sending gasoline to the Fox Valley and Green Bay, Wisconsin, after the line ruptured north of Germantown in Washington County. It had petroleum haulers scrambling to get fuel from other locations – and one of them predicted a shortage of gasoline by July 21 at locally owned stations in the Green Bay area. The West Shore Pipeline Company said about 42,000 gallons of gasoline leaked in the town of Jackson. The company said the problem was detected July 17, and the line was shut down within 3 minutes. A federal agency is investigating the cause of the rupture. West Shore said it is making repairs, and the line will be back up in days after federal inspections and approvals. The pipeline sends about 3 million gallons of gasoline each day from Chicago to Green Bay. Klemm Tank Lines of Green Bay sent trucks to Milwaukee and Madison July 19 to bring back fuel for the gas stations it supplies. U.S. Oil of Appleton said it has been getting products from its other locations in Wisconsin and “other alternative sources.” They said the impact to its customers should be minimal.  
Source: <http://wtaq.com/news/articles/2012/jul/20/gasoline-supply-in-green-bay-fox-valley-slashed-due-to-pipeline-rupture/>
2. *July 20, Associated Press* – (Mississippi) **Gas well explosion leaks hydrogen sulfide.** A gas well exploded in Clara, Mississippi July 19, forcing homes near the site to be evacuated, according to the Clarke County EMA director. He said July 20 the odor and irritants that drifted into the area following the explosion have dissipated. There are zero levels of gas in the air. He said Clark Mobile Gas was going to be monitoring air quality levels throughout the day. The gas well was leaking hydrogen sulfide, a colorless, flammable, irritant with a rotten egg smell.  
Source: <http://www.local15tv.com/news/local/story/Gas-Well-Explosion-Leaks-Hydrogen-Sulfide-Updated/Kfgmd9izwkWmKNWUs895sg.csp>

3. *July 20, Dominion Virginia Power* – (Virginia; National) **Dominion Virginia Power warns customers about scam that promises to pay utility bills.** Dominion Virginia Power cautioned customers July 20 not to divulge personal information such as a Social Security number or banking information to anyone offering to help them pay utility bills through a federal program. According to the Better Business Bureau (BBB), there is no federal program to pay household bills, and providing personal data could lead to identity theft and credit issues. According to the BBB, victims in states across the country have been contacted by phone, text message, social media, and in person. They were asked to “register” their Social Security number and banking information and to make payments using what turns out to be a fake account number. Dominion encourages anyone contacted about a government program proposing to pay utility bills to contact the BBB and local law enforcement. Dominion also cautions customers to ask to see an official Dominion ID from anyone who comes to their residence and claims to be from the company. Dominion notified about 60 customers their payments could not be processed because the accounts they provided were found to be invalid. Dominion is waiving the return fee it usually charges.  
Source: <http://www.marketwatch.com/story/dominion-virginia-power-warns-customers-about-scam-that-promises-to-pay-utility-bills-2012-07-20>
4. *July 19, Clean Technia* – (California) **\$100,000 vandalism slows huge LA County solar project.** Antelope Valley Solar Ranch One (AVSR1) in Los Angeles suffered another setback due to \$100,000 worth of vandalism, Clean Technica reported July 19. A 300-foot copper transmission cable and high-density polyethylene water pipe, both located about 2.5 miles from the project site, were cut. The damage to the transmission line, which was connected to the Southern California Edison Whirlwind substation, is the more costly repair because the entire cable must be replaced. The high-density polyethylene water pipe has already been repaired at minimal cost. First Solar, the company installing the panels at AVSR1, does not know how much water leaked out of the slashed pipe. The vandalism to the 230-megawatt solar power plant happened late July 9 or early July 10.  
Source: <http://cleantechnica.com/2012/07/19/100000-vandalism-solar-project-california/>

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## **Chemical Industry Sector**

5. *July 19, Boston Globe* – (Massachusetts) **Hydrogen peroxide explosion injures one at Woburn company.** A hydrogen peroxide explosion at Organix Inc. in Woburn, Massachusetts, July 19, sent one person to the hospital, according to the Woburn Fire Department. The person’s condition was not immediately available. Organix is a research and development company that specializes in synthetic organic and medicinal chemistry. The explosion did not cause a fire, a Woburn dispatcher said.  
Source: <http://www.boston.com/metrodesk/2012/07/19/hydrogen-peroxide-explosion-injures-one-woburn-company/dIqpOu1ZKkGvywTgpFS8aP/story.html>

6. *July 19, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency* – (Connecticut) **Chemical producer faces fine for environmental violations at Fairfield, Conn. facility.** A chemical producer faces a U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) fine of \$93,900 for failing to report the use and storage of hazardous chemicals at its Fairfield, Connecticut facility, in violation of the federal right-to-know law, the EPA announced July 19. According to an EPA complaint, 5N Plus, Inc. violated the Emergency Planning and Community Right to Know Act by failing to report hazardous chemical inventory data, known as Tier II reports, to local and State emergency responders. The company also failed to report the use and potential release of lead and selenium to the State and federal Toxic Release Inventory (TRI), a national, public database of toxic chemical use. During a June 2011 inspection, EPA determined 5N Plus failed to follow the reporting rules by failing to include gallium trichloride (an extremely hazardous substance) in its inventory of hazardous chemicals for 2010, and by failing to submit Tier II reports for reporting years 2008 and 2009 for chlorine gas, lead and gallium trichloride. Following further review, EPA also determined the firm failed to submit accurate TRI reports for lead in 2008 and 2009, and for selenium in 2010. After the two inspections, a release of chlorine gas resulted in area-wide evacuations and worker exposure to chlorine gas. Subsequent to the release, the company moved its gallium trichloride manufacture to another facility.
- Source:  
<http://yosemite.epa.gov/opa/admpress.nsf/0/f2e73ed18fc0f24c85257a40006f4eea?OpenDocument>

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## **Nuclear Reactors, Materials and Waste Sector**

7. *July 19, Power Engineering* – (Mississippi) **NRC approves power uprate at nuclear power plant in Mississippi.** The Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) July 19 approved a request by Entergy Operations Inc. to increase the power generating capacity of Unit 1 at the Grand Gulf Nuclear Station near Port Gibson, Mississippi, by 15 percent. The power uprate for the boiling water reactor will increase the plant's power generating capacity from about 1,300 to 1,500 MWe. The NRC staff's evaluation determined that Entergy could safely increase power output primarily by replacing significant portions of several plant systems and components, including the turbine rotors for the reactor feed pumps, power range neutron monitoring system, steam dryer, and the high-pressure turbine.
- Source: <http://www.power-eng.com/articles/2012/07/nrc-approves-power-uprate-at-nuclear-power-plant-in-mississippi.html>
8. *July 19, Associated Press* – (Idaho) **DOE may miss deadline for Idaho waste cleanup.** U.S. Department of Energy (DOE) officials said the agency will likely miss its deadline for cleaning up radioactive liquid waste at the Idaho National Laboratory in Idaho Falls, Idaho, the Associated Press reported July 19. The DOE's nuclear security undersecretary told the Idaho Falls Post Register the department will not have all

900,000 gallons of sodium-bearing waste removed by December 31 because a facility built to package the waste is not yet operational. A settlement agreement between the federal government and Idaho requires that all liquid waste at the eastern Idaho site be removed from tanks above the Eastern Snake River Plain Aquifer by 2013. A filter at the facility designed to process the waste was clogged with non-radioactive material in June, and contractor CH2M-WG Idaho is still working to diagnose and correct the problem. Until it is fixed, the building will remain shut down.

Source: <http://www.idahostatesman.com/2012/07/19/2194991/doe-may-miss-deadline-for-idaho.html>

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## **Critical Manufacturing Sector**

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## **Banking and Finance Sector**

9. *July 20, Philadelphia Inquirer* – (National) **11 charged, 3 in South Jersey, in mortgage scam.** Eleven people from five States were charged in an elaborate, \$15 million mortgage scam that led to the attempted murder of one of those involved, federal authorities said July 19. They said the individuals used false documents so “straw” buyers qualified for loans for distressed properties at inflated prices, which included condominiums in Wildwood, New Jersey. The buyers had good credit scores, but not the financial resources to buy the properties. When federal authorities served a subpoena on a mortgage brokerage firm, one of the men allegedly attempted to have a witness killed, the indictment said. The witness was lured into a wooded area in Alabama and shot in the chest but survived. Authorities alleged two conspirators recruited buyers willing to submit false documents to qualify for loans. Mortgage brokers involved in the scheme were aware the documents were false, and another conspirator created bogus sales agreements that concealed the true values of properties, authorities alleged.

Source:

[http://www.philly.com/philly/news/new\\_jersey/20120720\\_11\\_charged\\_3\\_in\\_South\\_Jersey\\_in\\_mortgage\\_scam.html](http://www.philly.com/philly/news/new_jersey/20120720_11_charged_3_in_South_Jersey_in_mortgage_scam.html)

10. *July 19, Mansfield News* – (Rhode Island; Massachusetts) **FBI and area police seek information leading to arrest of ‘bearded bandit’.** The FBI’s Boston Division Violent Crimes Task Force, along with the Seekonk, Massachusetts Police Department,

and Cranston, Warwick, and North Providence, Rhode Island police departments, were seeking the public's assistance to identify the "Bearded Bandit," a serial bank robber, Mansfield News reported July 19. He is alleged to be responsible for one bank robbery in ,and three bank robberies in Rhode Island since February. A joint multi-state investigation was underway to determine his identity. During three of the robberies, the Bearded Bandit said he had a firearm. In each robbery, he threatened to harm tellers. He was suspected in the robberies of a Bank of America in Seekonk February 23; a Citizens Bank in Cranston, April 16; a Bank of America in Warwick, May 7; and a Bank of America in North Providence, June 27.

Source: <http://www.wickedlocal.com/mansfield/news/x1871996383/FBI-and-area-police-seek-information-leading-to-arrest-of-bearded-bandit#axzz21Acmvwwe>

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## **Transportation Sector**

11. *July 19, Baltimore Sun* – (Maryland) **Back-to-back storms lash central Maryland with heavy rainfall.** Back-to-back thunderstorms dumped a torrent of rain on Baltimore City, Maryland, and surrounding counties July 19, causing widespread flooding of city streets and some buildings, and grounding dozens of flights at Baltimore-Washington International Thurgood Marshall Airport (BWI). Emergency calls began pouring into city fire and emergency dispatch centers as streets and intersections filled with standing water, particularly in Fells Point, where water reached people's knees. Substantial flooding in Fells Point closed multiple streets. Thousands lost power. Water poured over ambulance ramps outside Hopkins Hospital's emergency room, seeping into the building before firefighters could clear drains. A hospital spokesman said the flooding very briefly interrupted normal operations. Large sections of the lobby ceiling at the Hilton Baltimore caved in from pooling water and left gaping holes. Baltimore Gas and Electric Co. reported that power had been knocked out to more than 23,000 customers, with power restored to nearly 8,200. More than 21,000 outages occurred in Baltimore County and Baltimore City alone. BWI reported 60 flights grounded, with delays between 30 minutes and 4 hours.

Source: <http://www.baltimoresun.com/news/weather/weather-blog/bs-md-storms-20120719,0,7188367.story>

12. *July 19, Federal Bureau of Investigation* – (Alabama) **Hayden man arrested for shooting at historic biplane.** Members of the Federal Bureau of Investigation's Joint Terrorism Task Force July 19 arrested a Hayden, Alabama man for shooting at a restored biplane flying over a private airfield beside the man's home, announced a U.S. attorney and an FBI special agent in charge. The man was charged with attempted destruction of an aircraft. Federal law makes it a felony to willfully interfere with or disable, with reckless disregard for the safety of human life, the authorized operation of any aircraft in the United States. According to the criminal complaint and affidavit filed, the man was seen shooting a long-gun at an aircraft that was landing on Campbell Field, a private grass airstrip in Hayden, June 22. He attempted to damage, destroy,

disable, and wreck the plane, the complaint charges. The aircraft was a restored 1943 Boeing Stearman Biplane. It was being flown on test flights over Campbell Field. About 20 witnesses were present at the field June 22 in celebration of the historic plane being restored to flight standards, according to the affidavit by a federal air marshal and member of the joint task force.

Source: <http://www.fbi.gov/birmingham/press-releases/2012/hayden-man-arrested-for-shooting-at-historic-biplane>

13. *July 19, Associated Press* – (Michigan; International) **Another bomb threat, this time Ambassador Bridge stays open.** Detroit police say they received another fake threat of a bomb on the Ambassador Bridge, but this time authorities kept the busy international crossing open while they investigated the call. Police said July 19 that the call came in July 18. A similar call July 16 prompted the closing of the U.S.-Canada link for several hours. A statement from police says “preliminary Intelligence” indicates the July 18 caller “may have made hoax bomb threats in the past.” A telephoned bomb threat July 12 triggered a 4-hour closing of the Detroit-Windsor Tunnel. But authorities let Comerica Park remain open July 16 despite a bomb threat during a Detroit Tigers Major League Baseball game.

Source:

[http://www.mlive.com/news/detroit/index.ssf/2012/07/another\\_bomb\\_threat\\_this\\_time.html](http://www.mlive.com/news/detroit/index.ssf/2012/07/another_bomb_threat_this_time.html)

14. *July 19, Associated Press* – (Vermont) **Truck carrying turbine for Vt. project tips over.** A tractor-trailer carrying wind turbine equipment for the Kingdom Community Wind project in Lowell tipped over on Interstate 91 in Orleans, Vermont, July 19. State police said I-91 was closed all night so the truck and equipment could be removed. A Green Mountain Power spokeswoman said the tractor-trailer was traveling through an area being paved when its tires went into the soft shoulder. The trailer was being moved from Island Pond to Kingdom Community Wind with a law enforcement escort, as is required by its permit.

Source: [http://www.necn.com/07/19/12/Truck-carrying-turbine-for-Vt-project-ti/landing\\_nation.html?&apID=95fe2c26e92b4fcd9a5380d6387c6e66](http://www.necn.com/07/19/12/Truck-carrying-turbine-for-Vt-project-ti/landing_nation.html?&apID=95fe2c26e92b4fcd9a5380d6387c6e66)

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## **Agriculture and Food Sector**

15. *July 19, U.S. Department of Agriculture Food Safety and Inspection Service* – (National) **New Jersey firm recalls various frozen, ready-to-eat meat and poultry**



**products due to potential *Listeria monocytogenes* contamination.** Buona Vita, Inc., a Bridgeton, New Jersey establishment, recalled approximately 72,510 pounds of various frozen, ready-to-eat meat and poultry products due to possible contamination with *Listeria monocytogenes*, the U.S. Department of Agriculture's Food Safety and Inspection Service announced July 19. All the products were produced June 26. The products were sold to distribution facilities nationwide. The problem was discovered through microbiological testing by a third party.

Source:

[http://www.fsis.usda.gov/News\\_&\\_Events/Recall\\_044\\_2012\\_Release/index.asp](http://www.fsis.usda.gov/News_&_Events/Recall_044_2012_Release/index.asp)

16. *July 19, New York Times* – (National) **Widespread drought is likely to worsen.** The drought that has settled over more than half of the continental United States is the most widespread in more than half a century, and it is likely to grow worse, the New York Times reported July 19. The latest outlook released by the National Weather Service July 19 forecasts increasingly dry conditions over much of the nation's breadbasket, a development that could lead to higher food prices and shipping costs as well as reduced revenues in areas that count on summer tourism. About the only relief in sight was tropical activity in the Gulf of Mexico and the Southeast that could bring rain to parts of the South. As of July 15, more than half of the corn in seven States was in poor or very poor condition, according to the Department of Agriculture. In Kentucky, Missouri, and Indiana, that figure is above 70 percent. Overall, only 31 percent of the nation's corn is in good to excellent condition, compared with 66 percent at the same time in 2011. The withering corn has increased feed prices and depleted available feeding land, putting stress on cattle farmers. A record 54 percent of pasture and rangeland — where cattle feed or where hay is harvested for feeding — was in poor or very poor condition, said the Department of Agriculture. Many farmers have been forced to sell their animals. Because feed can account for nearly half of a cattle farmer's costs, consumers could see a rise in the price of meat and dairy products, experts said.

Source: <http://www.nytimes.com/2012/07/20/science/earth/severe-drought-expected-to-worsen-across-the-nation.html?pagewanted=all>

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## **Water Sector**

17. *July 20, Chicago Tribune* – (Illinois) **Sauk Village water safe to drink, mayor says.** The Illinois Environmental Protection Agency (IEPA) determined the Sauk Village, Illinois water supply is safe to drink and can be used to clean food, wash dishes, and bathe, the Sauk Village mayor said July 19. He said restaurants and groceries can continue using municipal water for preparing food. The memo comes after the IEPA announced the municipal water supply contains high levels of vinyl chloride — a byproduct of certain types of manufacturing and a common pollutant in urban communities. Long-term exposure to vinyl chloride can increase the risk of cancer, the U.S. EPA says. The IEPA is not requiring the village to shut down any wells, but it is requiring weekly water samples, as well as treatment of the wells as the levels are reduced. The IEPA also is requiring the village to provide bottled water to



residents and businesses who request it.

Source: <http://www.chicagotribune.com/news/local/ct-met-sauk-village-water-plan-0719-20120720,0,1397998.story>

18. *July 20, Elyria Chronicle-Telegram* – (Ohio) **Water worker fired in Elyria for second time.** A city employee of Elyria, Ohio, who was rehired after being fired for using a derogatory racial remark in 2011 was fired again, the Elyria Chronicle-Telegram reported July 20. The employee, who served as the city's assistant superintendent at the water treatment plant, was fired July 10 due to incompetence, inefficiency, and neglectful duty, said the safety service director. The worker is said to have cut wires on a piece of equipment housed in a building near the Clark Street water tower while doing unscheduled maintenance May 30. The employee did not follow safety protocols or Occupational Safety and Health Administration mandates when he went to the plant and performed the job. Also, the director said the equipment the employee tampered with was an electric pump that at one time fed chlorine into the water. The pump was taken offline several years ago, however, and that process now is done solely at the water plant. While the pump was not connected to the city's water supply, it still was electrically connected to the water tower. Two other workers were with the former assistant superintendent May 30, and they alerted the plant superintendent many weeks later.  
Source: <http://chronicle.northcoastnow.com/2012/07/20/water-worker-fired-in-elyria-for-second-time/>
19. *July 19, mLive.com* – (Michigan) **Summit Township Chlorine spill said to have been caused by faulty thermostat and heater during public meeting Wednesday.** July 18, officials in Summit Township, Michigan, announced that the chlorine leak in June, which led to the evacuation of around 75 households, was due to a faulty thermostat and heater within the water plant substation. The Summit Township supervisor said other factors could have contributed to the leak but the main cause was the thermostat and heater, which heated the room to about 260 degrees. According to the assistant superintendent for the department of public works, each chlorine tank is equipped with a release valve designed to moderate pressure within the tank.  
Source:  
[http://www.mlive.com/news/jackson/index.ssf/2012/07/summit\\_township\\_chlorine\\_spi11.html](http://www.mlive.com/news/jackson/index.ssf/2012/07/summit_township_chlorine_spi11.html)
20. *July 19, Joplin Globe* – (Missouri) **Missouri American increases capacity of impoundment.** With no relief from the drought in sight, the Missouri American Water Co. took steps July 19 to increase the amount of water held in its Grand Falls impoundment on Shoal Creek. The company installed a new wooden gate system atop the concrete dam. The gates increase the depth of the impoundment behind the dam by 2 feet, adding approximately 68 million gallons of water to the reservoir. City Utilities of Springfield recently put into place voluntary water conservation measures in response to the drought. The buildup of water in the impoundment will take place over about 24 hours. The impoundment serves as Joplin's primary source of water. The company augments that source with water from a series of deep wells.

Source: <http://www.joplinglobe.com/local/x471604459/Missouri-American-increases-capacity-of-impoundment>

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## **Public Health and Healthcare Sector**

21. *July 20, Champaign News-Gazette; Associated Press* – (National) **CDC: Whooping cough rising at alarming rate in U.S.** Nearly 18,000 cases of whooping cough have been reported in 2012 — more than twice the number seen at this point in 2011, the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention said July 19. At this pace, the number for the entire year will be the highest since 1959, when 40,000 illnesses were reported. Nine children have died, and health officials called on adults — especially pregnant women and those who spend time around children — to get a booster shot as soon as possible. Health investigators are trying to figure out what is causing the increase, with theories including better detection and reporting of cases, some sort of evolution in the bacteria that cause the illness, or shortcomings in the vaccine. The original vaccine that had been given to young children for decades was replaced in the late 1990s following concerns about rashes, fevers, and other side effects. For about 25 years, fewer than 5,000 cases were reported annually. The numbers started to climb again in the 1990s. In both 2004 and 2005, cases surpassed 25,000. The numbers dipped for a few years but jumped to more than 27,000 in 2010, the year California saw an especially bad epidemic. Experts believe whooping cough occurs in cycles and peaks every 3 to 5 years.  
Source: <http://www.news-gazette.com/news/health/health-care/2012-07-20/cdc-whooping-cough-rising-alarming-rate-us.html>
22. *July 20, Bradenton Herald* – (Florida) **Man charged in Pensacola abortion clinic fire pleads guilty.** An illiterate homeless man with a long criminal history pleaded guilty July 19 to setting a fire that gutted a Pensacola, Florida abortion clinic in January. He faces up to 21 years in prison for destroying the American Family Planning Clinic. The clinic has been the site of protests and violence. In 1994, an anti-abortion activist killed a doctor and the doctor's security escort outside the clinic.  
Source: <http://www.bradenton.com/2012/07/20/4121037/florida-briefs-man-charged-in.html>
23. *July 20, Birmingham News* – (Alabama) **Cahaba Heights pharmacy remains closed today after bomb threat.** The CVS pharmacy in Vestavia Hills, Alabama, remained closed July 20 while law enforcement officials continued to investigate a suspicious package discovered July 19. Police said the device was deemed threatening by the Hoover bomb squad and was disrupted using a robotic water cannon. Hazardous materials technicians tested the substance in the package with field test kits but results were inconclusive. FBI officials took a sample from the device to their lab for further testing. Authorities said the device is believed to be an overpressure device, a mixture of chemicals put in a plastic, 2-liter bottle that expands and explodes. Police were called to the pharmacy after the package was discovered. It was accompanied by a threatening note, which heightened the seriousness, police said. Information found

there led police to a house in Irondale. Multiple agencies went to the house after two men refused to come out. Negotiators coaxed them out after about 2 hours. No formal charges have been filed.

Source: [http://blog.al.com/spotnews/2012/07/cahaba\\_heights\\_pharmacy\\_remain.html](http://blog.al.com/spotnews/2012/07/cahaba_heights_pharmacy_remain.html)

24. *July 19, Associated Press* – (New Hampshire) **Lab tech charged in NH hepatitis C investigation.** A former New Hampshire hospital employee was charged July 19 with causing a hepatitis C outbreak involving patients who were treated at the hospital's cardiac catheterization lab. A U.S. attorney said the former lab technician at Exeter Hospital in Exeter was charged with fraudulently obtaining drugs and tampering with a consumer product. He was arrested at a hospital in Massachusetts, where he was receiving medical treatment. Originally from Michigan, he worked as a traveling medical technician in at least six other States. He had been at Exeter since April 2011. Investigators believed he stole syringes containing an anesthetic and injected himself with them. He then put another liquid, such as saline, into the syringes, which were later injected into the patients. The investigation also revealed that the technician was involved in a similar incident at a hospital in another State.

Source: [http://www.cbsnews.com/8301-501363\\_162-57476043/lab-tech-charged-in-nh-hepatitis-c-investigation/](http://www.cbsnews.com/8301-501363_162-57476043/lab-tech-charged-in-nh-hepatitis-c-investigation/)

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## **Government Facilities Sector**

25. *July 20, Associated Press* – (Virginia; Washington, D.C.) **Mass. man admits guilt in plot to blow up Pentagon.** A Massachusetts man pleaded guilty July 20 to his role in a plot to use remote-controlled model planes packed with explosives to blow up the Pentagon and U.S. Capitol in Washington, D.C. He pleaded guilty to attempting to provide material support to terrorists and attempting to damage and destroy federal buildings by means of an explosive. He was arrested in 2011 after federal employees posing as al Qaeda members delivered materials he requested, including grenades, machine guns, and plastic explosives. In court documents, authorities said he traveled to Washington to do surveillance and rented storage space to work on the planes in Framingham, Massachusetts. The man was accused of planning to use three remote-controlled planes measuring 60 to 80 inches in length and capable of speeds greater than 100 mph. Each plane, guided by GPS, was to be packed with 5 pounds of explosives. Under a plea agreement, prosecutors and the defense will request a 17-year sentence on charges that carry a combined maximum of 35 years in prison.

Source:

<http://www.google.com/hostednews/ap/article/ALeqM5iATLjsgYEaCGKW8yGnGt-hm6XRrw?docId=bdd8fa3e886a44838e31d99505a191a1>

26. *July 20, Utah Daily Herald* – (Utah) **Small data breach at BYU put student information at risk.** Brigham Young University (BYU) is warning several hundred present and former students about a data breach that may have compromised students'

personal information, the Utah Daily Herald reported July 20. The breach occurred June 10 when a server at BYU was accessed by an unauthorized source. At the time, it appeared no personal information was compromised, but upon further review investigators found the server accessed contained a file with the personal information of 800 former and current students. A BYU spokesman said there is no evidence any students' information was accessed, but they were notifying students of the possible breach because Social Security numbers, birth dates, and addresses may have been exposed.

Source: [http://www.heraldextra.com/news/local/central/provo/small-data-breach-at-byu-put-student-information-at-risk/article\\_6f8e62b6-15fa-5a78-b808-e5cad9ba6dc3.html](http://www.heraldextra.com/news/local/central/provo/small-data-breach-at-byu-put-student-information-at-risk/article_6f8e62b6-15fa-5a78-b808-e5cad9ba6dc3.html)

27. *July 19, Associated Press* – (Illinois) **Southwestern Illinois College evacuated after bomb threat.** A bomb threat forced the evacuation of the Southwestern Illinois College campus in Belleville and the cancellation of classes after a student found a threatening hand-written note in a men's bathroom of the main building July 19. A message on the college's Web site said that "an emergency has occurred" on the campus; it told students to evacuate and stay away until further notice. A college spokesman said classes would resume July 20, and State and St. Clair County authorities were investigating.

Source: <http://www.chicagotribune.com/news/local/sns-ap-il--college-bomb-threat-20120719,0,3035393.story>

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## **Emergency Services Sector**

28. *July 20, KTUL 8 Tulsa* – (Oklahoma) **Windows smashed at Tulsa fire station.** Police were trying to figure out why someone smashed windows at a Tulsa, Oklahoma fire station July 20. Officers were first called to Station #3 early July 20. Firefighters there said they thought someone was shooting out the windows. Police arrived and figured out there were no shots fired, and that someone had broken three panels of glass with a rod or hammer. The panes were in the station's large, front bay doors where fire engines are kept. The vandalism forced the station out of service. Firefighters were unable to leave the building unsecured. A Tulsa police corporal said the vandalism would affect response times, since fire trucks would have to be dispatched from other stations further away.

Source: <http://www.ktul.com/story/19071673/windows-smashed-at-tulsa-fire-station>

29. *July 20, York Daily Record* – (Pennsylvania) **Radios glitch at lightning-sparked fire.** Firefighters who responded to the scene of an East Manchester Township, Pennsylvania blaze July 18 encountered communication problems. The chief with Eagle Fire Company in Mount Wolf said they lost radio communication while about six firefighters were inside the home. He said he had trouble communicating with York County 9-1-1, even though he was standing outside the scene in the middle of a street.

Some York County emergency responders have said they have been dealing with radio communication glitches since the county switched from an analog system to a digital one several years ago.

Source: [http://www.ydr.com/local/ci\\_21117069/radios-glitch-at-lightning-sparked-fire](http://www.ydr.com/local/ci_21117069/radios-glitch-at-lightning-sparked-fire)

30. *July 20, Associated Press* – (Kentucky) **Augusta police seek help in vandalism cases.** Augusta, Kentucky officials have called in Kentucky State Police to help investigate a series of vandalism incidents involving the vehicles of police officers and public officials, the Associated Press reported July 20. The police chief's personal vehicle, two police cars, and the personal vehicle of a city council member were targets of vandalism. In the last few months, there have been incidents of keying, fuel tampering, and in the latest incident; in the early morning of July 13, a chemical was used to damage paint on the chief's car and a vehicle belonging to a councilman.  
Source: <http://www.sacbee.com/2012/07/20/4644304/augusta-police-seek-help-in-vandalism.html>
31. *July 19, WKBT 8 La Crosse* – (Wisconsin) **Manhunt for inmates from Black River Correctional Center.** Two inmates who may be armed were on the run after walking away from Black River Correctional Center in Black River Falls, Wisconsin, kidnapping a woman, and stealing a vehicle in Sparta, Wisconsin late July 17. Deputies from Jackson County were not able to find the men after a search late July 17. The Monroe County sheriff said the men kidnapped a woman and forced her to drive them to Sparta, where they got out at a Kwik Trip. They then ran to Northern Engraving and stole a vehicle. The men were last seen driving into a wooded area south of Tomah near Ironclad Avenue. The sheriff said the stolen vehicle and a shotgun were found, but the inmates were not. He said the men may still be armed.  
Source: [http://www.news8000.com/news/Manhunt-for-inmates-from-Black-River-Correctional-Center/-/326/15588642/-/klxf4/-/index.html?hpt=ju\\_bn5](http://www.news8000.com/news/Manhunt-for-inmates-from-Black-River-Correctional-Center/-/326/15588642/-/klxf4/-/index.html?hpt=ju_bn5)

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## **Information Technology Sector**

32. *July 20, H Security* – (International) **Urgent security update for TeamViewer.** The TeamViewer developers released updates for a potential security vulnerability discovered in the remote access tool. The company recommends users install the security updates immediately. Versions 5 to 7 of the Windows, Mac OS X, and Linux editions of TeamViewer Full and TeamViewer QuickSupport are affected. The flaw does not appear to have been discovered in TeamViewer Host. The company did not offer any details of the vulnerability, but updated editions of the software can be obtained from the TeamViewer Download page. The new version can be installed over the previous installation.  
Source: <http://www.h-online.com/security/news/item/Urgent-security-update-for-TeamViewer-1648586.html>

33. *July 20, H Security* – (International) **No patch for critical Oracle database vulnerability.** Oracle decided not to fix a critical vulnerability in its 10g and 11g databases. Instead, users are expected to use a previously described workaround. Due to the “nature of this issue,” the company said it has no plan to establish a fix for currently supported versions of the database software. According to Oracle, a large amount of code would need to be changed and there would be a significant risk of regressions. They also cited the inability to automate the installation of a patch. Oracle’s customers are left to use the workaround, which essentially consists of securing cluster administration using “Class of Secure Transport.” The company does not plan to fix the vulnerability before the release of version 12. The database server is vulnerable to an attack known as TNS listener poisoning, in which an attacker is able to eavesdrop on database communication via an injected cluster node. Details of the attack were first published in April as the result of a mix-up in communication between Oracle and the discoverer of the vulnerability. He originally informed Oracle of the problem more than 4 years ago. Since then, Oracle released a new major version in which the company ignored the problem.  
Source: <http://www.h-online.com/security/news/item/No-patch-for-critical-Oracle-database-vulnerability-1649106.html>
34. *July 19, IDG News Service* – (International) **Phishing websites reach all-time high.** The number of phishing Web sites detected reached an all-time high earlier in 2012, a sign that making fake Web sites spoofing real ones is still a lucrative trade for cyber criminals. In its latest report, the Anti-Phishing Working Group (APWG) said 56,859 phishing sites were detected in February, beating the previous record high in August 2009 by nearly 1 percent. APWG is a nonprofit consortium composed of banks, security vendors, and others with a stake in tracking cybercrime trends. Phishing sites are Web sites that look nearly identical to legitimate ones and often mimic known brands. Leveraging the trust users put in legitimate companies, cyber criminals trick victims into divulging logins, passwords, and other sensitive data. The APWG noted in its report that the increase in the number of phishing sites was in part due to new technology that it began using earlier in 2012 to detect fake sites. More than 38 percent of the fake sites were related to financial services, said the report. The second most spoofed market vertical was payment services, followed by retail and other service sites. The sites spoofed 392 brands, also a new record.  
Source: [http://www.computerworld.com/s/article/9229398/Phishing\\_websites\\_reach\\_all\\_time\\_high](http://www.computerworld.com/s/article/9229398/Phishing_websites_reach_all_time_high)
35. *July 19, InformationWeek* – (International) **Android attackers launch fake app market.** Creating an entire fake application store to peddle malware is the strategy employed by the creator of “myadroidmaklet.net,” a third-party app market that purports to offer more than 50 apps for free download, including Adobe Flash Player, Angry Birds Rio, Google Maps, Mozilla Firefox, Need for Speed Hot Pursuit, Opera, Skype, and World of Goo. However, all of these apps are really just a trojan app in disguise. Microsoft dubbed the underlying trojan Android app as SMSFakeSky, and noted it is designed to target Russian-speaking users.  
Source: <http://www.informationweek.com/news/security/attacks/240003991>



36. *July 19, Threatpost* – (International) **Report: Bandwidth-burning malware among biggest consumer threats.** A new malware report indicates Android malware samples grew three-fold in the second quarter of 2012, and that 1 in every 140 devices connected to mobile networks was infected at some point. About 14 percent of household networks were hit by malware in the spring, with a 50 percent increase in high-level bots, trojans, and backdoors, according to the Q2 2012 Malware Report from Kindsight Security Labs. Among the biggest threats to consumers was the ZeroAccess botnet, which grew to more than 1.2 million super nodes resulting in ad-click fraud that at one point used bandwidth equivalent to 45 monthly movie downloads per subscriber. Source: [http://threatpost.com/en\\_us/blogs/report-bandwidth-burning-malware-among-biggest-consumer-threats-071912](http://threatpost.com/en_us/blogs/report-bandwidth-burning-malware-among-biggest-consumer-threats-071912)

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## Communications Sector

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## Commercial Facilities Sector

37. *July 20, WDRB 41 Louisville* – (Kentucky) **Louisville hotel damaged in Thursday's storm.** A Louisville, Kentucky hotel suffered damage in a storm July 19. Heavy winds whipped through the airport with estimated 44-mile-per-hour winds. At one point, part of the roof on the Crowne Plaza Hotel was blown off. At the time, the National Weather Service was calling for 60-mile-per-hour winds. The top three floors of the hotel had water damage from the sprinkler system and officials said those guests were relocated to the Galt House. At least 200 rooms were impacted. Several cars in the parking lot were also damaged. Source: <http://www.wdrb.com/story/19070473/louisville-hotel-damaged-in-thursdays-storm>
38. *July 20, Jersey City Jersey Journal* – (New Jersey) **Union City furniture manufacturer recalls 'zap' of lightning hitting roof before factory started burning.** A Union City, New Jersey furniture manufacturer's stock was damaged in a four-alarm fire July 18. The store owner of the Canadian-based Cosmos Furniture, business partners with Union City Mirror & Table Co., said he was alone at the

warehouse when the fire started. He said lightning struck the roof of the one-story brick warehouse, which caused a fire and flooding in a section of the warehouse. He said with \$10,000 to \$15,000 worth of furniture being shipped a day, the damage could rise to between \$1 million to \$2 million. Firefighters had to cut several holes in the roof to get at the fire, which was between the factory's roof and the drop ceiling, officials said. The warehouse suffered a partial roof collapse.

Source: [http://www.nj.com/jjournal-news/index.ssf/2012/07/union\\_city\\_furniture\\_manufactu.html](http://www.nj.com/jjournal-news/index.ssf/2012/07/union_city_furniture_manufactu.html)

39. *July 20, Associated Press* – (National) **Security increased at movies following massacre.** Around the country, some moviegoers noticed increased security at July 20 showings of the new Batman movie, in the wake of a July 20 shooting rampage at a theater in Colorado that left 12 people dead. Two police officers were stationed outside a theater in New York City's Times Square July 20, where showings of *The Dark Knight Rises* started every 20 minutes. At a theater in downtown Washington, D.C., moviegoers trickled into showings. Theater employees searched patrons' bags and purses while taking their tickets. Staff members at a Philadelphia theater said the extra security that was in place was normal for big movies, and not a result of the shooting in Colorado.

Source: <http://www.myfoxlubbock.com/news/national/story/NYPD-provides-coverage-at-movie-theaters/UtyqwzTf6US6kjqugYxnVg.csp>

40. *July 20, CNN* – (Colorado) **Gunman turns Batman screening into real-life 'horror film'.** The man suspected of shooting up an Aurora, Colorado movie theater screening the new Batman film July 20, killing 12 and wounding 59, also left his apartment rigged with traps, police said. "It is booby trapped with various incendiary and chemical devices and trip wires," the Aurora police chief said. He added that it could take days to work through the apartment safely. Five buildings around the suspect's apartment were evacuated. Law enforcement officers who searched the suspect's apartment found "items of interest," an official said. Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives (ATF) agents were involved in the apartment search. ATF agents also conducted emergency traces on the weapons. Police said the suspect dressed head-to-toe in protective tactical gear, set off two devices of some kind before spraying the theater with bullets from an AR-15 rifle, a 12-gauge shotgun, and at least one of two .40-caliber handguns police recovered at the scene. The FBI has assisted in the investigation, officials said. The FBI spokesman said it did not appear the incident was related to terrorism. The suspect surrendered without resistance within minutes of the first calls from moviegoers reporting a shooting inside the Century 16 theater. He is scheduled to appear in court July 23. Police initially said 14 people had died but revised the death toll to 12. The initial injury count of 38 was revised upward to 59 later July 20. Several people remained in critical condition at area hospitals. All of the wounded suffered from gunshot wounds, which ranged from minor to critical, said a hospital spokeswoman.

Source: <http://www.cnn.com/2012/07/20/us/colorado-theater-shooting/index.html>

41. *July 19, Ars Technica* – (International) **Hacking duo charged with DDoSing Amazon, then bragging about it.** Federal prosecutors charged two men with using a computer

botnet to launch distributed denial-of-service attacks on Amazon, eBay, and Priceline, and then bragging about them in online hacker forums. One of the men, from Moscow, Russia, was arrested in Cyprus the week of July 16 for his role in attacks taking place in June and July 2008. One of the attacks lasted 3 days and prevented Amazon customers from completing online transactions, according to an indictment unsealed July 19. The other man was a co-conspirator in the denial-of-service campaign, which also hit eBay and Priceline.

Source: <http://arstechnica.com/security/2012/07/hacking-duo-charged-for-amazon-ddos/>

42. *July 19, WJAR 10 Providence* – (Rhode Island) **Dealer's cars damaged in hailstorm.** Hundreds of cars on a North Smithfield, Rhode Island dealer's lot were damaged by hail July 18 in a severe storm that pushed through southern New England. Nearly 500 cars on the Anchor Subaru Nissan lot were damaged by hail. The damage was at estimated between \$1 million and \$2 million, or \$2,000 to \$4,000 per car. Source: <http://www2.turnto10.com/weather/2012/jul/19/dealers-cars-damaged-hailstorm-ar-1109267/>
43. *July 19, WILX 10 Onondaga* – (Michigan) **Electrical issue forces evacuation of Westwood mall.** Police in Blackman Township, Michigan, were on the scene at the Westwood Mall after an underground electrical issue caused an explosion July 19. Officers said high tension from an electrical line caused a combustible gas explosion. Police said natural gas was not involved. Consumers Energy determined the issue was not hazardous. Police said flames were shooting out of two manhole covers in the rear portion of the mall parking lot. The mall was evacuated and was scheduled to remain closed for the rest of July 19 as a precaution. Nine Consumers Energy customers, all of which are stores or businesses, were without power July 19. A spokesman for Consumers said power was expected to be restored by July 20. Source: <http://www.wilx.com/news/headlines/163113026.html>
44. *July 19, New York One* – (New York) **NYPD protects Jewish temples, neighborhoods following Bulgarian bus attack.** The New York City Police Department bolstered its presence at synagogues and in Jewish neighborhoods the wake of July 18's deadly bus bombing in Bulgaria. Police said as many as 100 critical response vehicles have been deployed. They said they have not received any specific threats against the city. Six people were killed and more than 30 were injured when a suicide bomber attacked a bus full of Israeli tourists in Sarafovo, Bulgaria. City police took similar precautions in March, after three children and a rabbi were gunned down in Toulouse, France. Source: [http://manhattan.ny1.com/content/top\\_stories/165113/nypd-protects-jewish-temples--neighborhoods-following-bulgarian-bus-attack](http://manhattan.ny1.com/content/top_stories/165113/nypd-protects-jewish-temples--neighborhoods-following-bulgarian-bus-attack)

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## **National Monuments and Icons Sector**

45. *July 20, Associated Press* – (Colorado) **\$24M in restoration work needed at High Park Fire.** A report on impacts from the High Park Fire in Larimer County, Colorado, recommended an estimated \$24 million in work to restore burned areas. The report released July 19 was by a Burned Area Emergency Response team of federal, State and local specialists. The wildfire started June 9 and was contained after burning about 136 square miles, including about 9 square miles that burned at a high severity, but about 22 square miles within the fire perimeter were unburned, the team said. The fire damaged 259 homes and killed 1 person. Burned soil can repel water, leading to potential floods during rainstorms. Rainstorms in burned areas have led to mudslides on Colorado 14 through Poudre Canyon. The Colorado Department of Transportation planned possible rock scaling to prevent more rockslides.  
Source: <http://www.craigdailynews.com/news/2012/jul/20/24m-restoration-work-needed-high-park-fire/>

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## **Dams Sector**

46. *July 20, Charlotte Observer* – (North Carolina) **Richmond County dam has leak.** Owners of a private dam in northeast Richmond County, North Carolina, were ordered by State officials to make repairs after a leak was discovered the week of July 16. The North Carolina Department of Environment and Natural Resources said a leak was found in the Ledbetter Dam, a 37-foot-tall structure at Ledbetter Lake about 5 miles northeast of Rockingham. State officials said the dam is not in imminent danger of failing, but the leak was significant enough that repairs are needed. In addition, the resources department said they asked the owners to drain some of the water in Ledbetter Lake, an impoundment used for water supplies and fishing. About a half-dozen residences were within the flood path of the dam, the State office said.  
Source: <http://www.charlotteobserver.com/2012/07/20/3393997/richmond-county-dam-has-leak.html#storylink=rss>
47. *July 20, Portsmouth Herald* – (New Hampshire) **State orders town to fix dam.** New Hampshire officials ordered the town of Hampton to make a number of immediate and long-term improvements to the Old Mill Pond Dam, which, town officials said, will eventually lead to its removal and complete replacement, the Portsmouth Herald reported July 20. The State Department of Environmental Services Dam Safety Inspection Bureau issued the town a Letter of Deficiency regarding the dam based on the results of an inspection conducted May 23. The dam is classified by the State as a “significant hazard dam.” It is requiring the town to immediately remove any debris from the primary and secondary spillways by December 31, including all trees and brush from the dam’s embankment and within 15 feet of all man-made dam components. It is then requiring a timeline for the work. The town will be fined \$2,000 per violation per day for any missed deadline. The town must also submit an Emergency Action Plan by November 1, 2013, outlining whether it intends to

reconstruct the dam or remove it, and then has until November 1, 2014 to complete the project.

Source: <http://www.seacoastonline.com/articles/20120720-NEWS-207200355>

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